rules by the Director, who is a permanent employee of the Council?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L.P. SHAHI): (a) According to the information furnished by the Indian Council of Historical Research, its Chairman has not awarded senior fellowships without asking for the opinion of experts.

(b) to (e). Do not arise.

Setting up of Committee for Foreign Grants by Indian Council of Historical Research

101. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to State :

(a) whether it is a fact that the present Chairman Indian Council of Historical Research has set up a separate Committee for foreign Grants ;

(b) if so, what are the names of the Members of the Committee;

(c) what is the reason for taking away this function from the statutory committee viz., the Research Projects Committee ;

(d) when the foreign Grant Committee met last and what are the names of the members who attended its meeting ;

(e) what were its recommendations ; and

(f) whether any member of the Council was present at this important meeting, if not, what are the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI) : (a) and (b) No, Sir. The present Chairman, ICHR, only reconstituted, among others, two pre-existing sub-committees under authorisation from the Council. These are Foreign Travel Grants and Study-cum-Travel Grants Committees under the Research Projects Committee, which consist of :

(i) Prof. M.G.S. Narayanan
(ii) Prof. Ashin Das Gupta
(iii) Shri Dharampal
(iv) Prof. Satish Chandra (co-opted)
(v) Chairman, ICHR
(vi) Director, ICHR (Secretary)

In case a Member is not available Chairman can co-opt another.

(c) The Foreign Travel Grants Committee has been constituted under Research Projects Committee and its recommendations and decisions are submitted to the RPC which also considers proposals for foreign travel grants directly.

(d) The Committee last met on 31st March, 1989 and its meeting was attended by Prof. Irfan Habib, Prof. Champaklakshmi (co-opted Member) and Dr. T.R. Sareen. Other Members of the Committee could not make it convenient to attend.

(e) The Committee considered 24 cases for grant of foreign travel out of 7 were approved, 12 were rejected and consideration of 5 cases was deferred. Some of the fejected cases were, however, reconsidered by the RPC later.

(f) Chairman and Director of the Council are the full Members of the Council and attended the meeting of the Sub-committee.

Non-Release of funds to the scheme of Training and Rehabilitation of Women in Distress

102. DR. BAPU KALDATE : Will the Minister of HUMAN